ARIs in Assam

1060. SHRIDWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have set up the Agro and Rural Industries in the country particularly in Assam under the Rural Employment Generation Scheme during the last three years;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details of funds allocated for this purpose and the steps taken by Government for implementation of the said scheme, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) and (b) Agro and Rural Industries are set up by entrepreneurs. Government in the Ministry of Agro and Rural Industries (ARI) has been implementing the Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP), through the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), to help eligible entrepreneurs to set up village industry units and creat employment opportunities in village and small towns with population up to 20,000, throughout the country, including Assam. Under this programme, entrepreneurs can establish village industries by availing of margin money assistance from the KVIC and loans from public sector scheduled commercial banks, selected regional rural banks, cooperative banks, etc., for projects with a maximum cost of Rs. 25 lakh.

State/ Union Territory (UT)-wise details of village industry units set up under the REGP during 2003-04,2004-05 are given in the Statement (*See* below).

- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) Details of Margin Money (MM) assistance provided by the Government through the KVIC for setting up village industry projects under REGP in the country during 2003-04.2004-05 and 2005-06 are as follows:

(Rs. lakh)

SI. No.	Year	MM assistance
.1.	2003-04	26,574.46
2.	2004-05	29,239.95
3.	2005-06	33,082.75

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Statement

State-wise details of village industry units set up under the REGP during 2003-04, 2004-05 and 2005-06

SI.	State/Union Territory	Number of units set up		
No.		2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Chandigarh	8	8	3
2.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	2	0	0
3.	Delhi	7	9	15
4.	Haryana	923	1140	1058
5.	Himachal Pradesh	414	469	650
6.	Jammu and Kashmir	775	922	1402
7.	Punjab	882	864	440
8.	Rajasthan	2496	1537	2133
9.	Andaman and Nicobar Hands	s 58	6	598
10.	Bihar	88	254	692
11.	Jharkhand	323	240	217
12.	Orissa	1031	991	650
13.	West Bengal	3348	2584	2078
14.	Arunachal Pradesh	32	43	76
15.	Assam	1223	1658	2229
16.	Manipur	36	102	65
17.	Meghalaya	210	146	206
18.	Mizoram	33	162	365
19.	Nagaland	61	151	316
20.	Tripura	244	233	306
21.	Sikkim	113	139	106
22.	Andhra Pradesh	1097	1988	2278

1	2	3	4	5
23.	Karnataka	1422	934	1314
24.	Kerala	2046	914	1217
25.	Lakshadweep	9	0	26
26.	Pondicherry	47	7	56
27.	Tamil Nadu	1568	925	1036
28.	Goa	126	138	136
29.	Gujarat	290	376	516
30.	Maharashtra	857	1773	3120
31.	Chhattisgarh	697	656	551
32.	Madhya Pradesh	1041	1361	736
33.	Uttaranchal	1106	513	527
34.	Uttar Pradesh	2134	2210	1532
	TOTAL:	24747	23453	26650

PMRY assistance to Rajasthan

1061. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount released by Government to Rajasthan under Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Yojana during each of the last three years, till date;
- (b) the details of amount spent under the scheme in the State during that period;
- (c) whether Government have set up any monitoring cell to check the funds and the proper implementation of the scheme;
 - (d) if so, the details and achievements thereof;